



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2600**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Dongsoo S. Kim et al.
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SWITCHING IN VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORKS

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2005, please amend the application as shown on the following pages: